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As a former registered Democrat Party voter in Oregon (1972-2000), I have always been opposed to one party rule, whether by Republicans or Democrats. I have now been a registered Republican since the 2000 election. As the son of a former elected Democratic Oregon representative and senator, William Morrisette of Springfield, even though I was always supportive of his candidacies and ultimate victories as an elected representative, I have never been comfortable nor confident that mail in elections in Oregon are fair. I have been and remain an advocate for free and fair elections where ALL political parties participate, here in Oregon and throughout America. Sadly, I have observed single party rule by the Democrat Party in Oregon ever since Vote By Mail was instituted. It has permanently assaulted my sense of fair play.

To those who advocate for continuing Vote By Mail in Oregon elections, simply ask yourselves how someone like Donald Trump could be elected two out of three of the past three presidential elections and consider the probability that, among other things, it is because of the very nature of Vote By Mail. The election of 2020 will forever stand as a testimony to the vagaries and vicissitudes of the chaos created by breaking Chain of Custody of ballots and the uncertainty it breeds on the losing side, especially when enough evidence exists to call the results into question. Fraudulent elections are nothing new and whether Oregon's elections have been fraudulent or not, the perception that such a possibility exists is the very reason Donald Trump has been so successful in gathering and growing support across the political spectrum. When one side lords elections over the other and is able to seemingly manipulate election outcomes solely in their favor against reasonable odds over several decades, it becomes obvious that something is amiss in the process and the notion of nefarious activities becomes the norm for speculation amongst the electorate.

I submit to Oregon's Legislature that the writing is on the wall, that Vote By Mail in Oregon has been weighed and measured and has been found wanting. I also submit that once the process has run its course, it may well be found that very few if any of Oregon's Democrat run Vote By Mail elections and ensuing governments of the past twenty plus years will be considered fairly run and executed or even found to be legitimate. I also submit that in order to restore faith and trust in our constitutional system of governance that this legislature would do well to pass SB 210 and restore fair and legal elections, requiring in person, same day voting, with voter ID and proof of citizenship as the standard for all elections in the great state of Oregon.

Incidentally, as a Native Oregonian I have few callings besides belief and faith in my Creator. A most important calling which we all share is to do whatever we can to help to right the wrongs in this world with our limited time here. I consider this issue, which amounts to ongoing governmental abuse of my fellow citizens, to be one of those

callings. Do the right thing at the right time for the right reason. Let's Reclaim Oregon for all Oregonians and End Vote By Mail Now.